



WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 18, 1898.

no body but contractors and ship owners.

FROM WASHINGTON.

(Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.)

WASHINGTON, May 18.

Ex-Secretary of the Navy Tracy was at the Navy Department today. He said we find ourselves at war with a nation which has little commerce to be destroyed so that the unarmed cruiser has little work to accomplish in the line of its original purpose as a commerce destroyer, although valuable as an adjunct in any line. In short, we are carrying on what is not expected, an offensive instead of a defensive war, and as a result we ought to have ships capable of executing offensive warfare. The strength of the Spanish squadron now in southern waters lies in the fact that it has the type of armored cruisers, with speed and protective armor, suitable for offensive work. We are not only carrying on an offensive warfare, but we are reaching out to the Philippines. The entire theory of a defensive navy, on which our present navy was formed, has been changed by this conflict with Spain and, being changed, the new conditions should be promptly met by Congress.

Secretary Gage sent to Congress today a request for a large increase of clerical force for the office of auditor for the navy department.

Among other nominations sent by the President to the Senate to-day was the following: To be inspector general with rank of major—John G. Evans, of South Carolina.

The total number of volunteers to date, as announced by Adjutant General Corbin to-day, amounts to 92,580.

The regiment of infantry which the District of Columbia will furnish to the volunteer army has been fully mustered. Brigadier General Harries reported the fact to the War Department this morning and received orders to proceed to Chickamauga. The regiment probably will go on Saturday by the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, which has been given the contract for the transportation.

The Navy Department is completing its arrangements to effect an exchange of prisoners, the purpose being to secure the release of the two American newspaper men, Thrall and Jones, now in Morro Castle, where they were lodged after being captured while attempting to make a landing on the Cuban coast. Two of the Spaniards imprisoned at Fort McPherson, Ga., who were captured on the steamer Argonaut, are being a Spanish consul will be chosen for the exchange, providing the arrangements can be completed. The Madrid dispatch published this morning, which seemed to indicate that the Havana authorities are disposed to regard the newspaper prisoners as spies, possibly may interfere with the exchange contemplated, all the arrangements for which were made by the U.S. expedition.

Secretary Alger has sent to Congress a draft of a bill to create in time of war a second assistant Secretary of War with a salary of \$4,000. The Secretary urges the importance in this exigency of immediate action.

There has been no meeting yet between the hostile fleets in the neighborhood of Cuba. That was all that could be learned this morning at the Navy Department.

Francis Aura Alger, the youngest daughter of the Secretary of War, and Charles Burrall Pike, of Chicago, son of Eugene S. Pike, one of that city's most energetic and influential citizens, were married at noon to-day at the residence of Secretary Alger. President and Mrs. McKinley were near the wedding party during the ceremony as were the Vice President and Mrs. Hobart.

Representative Brownell, of Ohio, has introduced a joint resolution authorizing the return of captured Confederate flags on application of governors of States whose troops carried the flags.

It is reported that the Navy Department was informed to-day that the battleship Oregon had joined Sampson's squadron.

Judge R. T. W. Duke, jr., Grand Master of Masons in Virginia, here to-day, denies reports that he had authorized the statement that he would make Gen. Lee a mason "at sight" if requested. He had said, in response to a question by a mason, that he was willing to grant a dispensation under which a Richmond lodge could entertain Gen. Lee's petition and act upon it immediately. He had further expressed his willingness to confer the degrees himself if requested. Similar dispensations have been granted to members of the Virginia volunteer forces who would be compelled to leave their homes before their petitions could be acted on in the regular way.

Congressman Lanham of Texas will deliver an address to Lee Camp of Confederate Veterans of Richmond on the 20th inst.

There was quite a lively tilt before the House District committee yesterday between the physicians and druggists of this city, during the consideration of the bill regulating the sale of poisons, the former wanting to restrict the sale to those to be ordered by city physicians; the latter, to sell on any physician's prescription, whether local or foreign. The question was not settled. Mr. R. N. Harper represented the druggists.

Assistant District Attorney John Blair of the western district of Virginia, is here to-day to try to have his salary increased from \$1,200 to \$2,400.

The War Department has decided that because Capt. Craighill of Lynchburg, is commander of a volunteer company, is no reason why he should not be appointed a lieutenant in the U. S. A., and his name will be sent to the President along with those of other applicants.

Messrs. Park Agnew and W. F. Wickham, the chairmen of the two wings of the Virginia republicans, met here yesterday evening and were in conference until midnight on the proposition of the former to effect a coalition. They agreed upon terms which will be submitted to the two committees, and, if accepted, he made public, but not till then.

Captain Willard of Fairfax county was here to-day. He says he has enlisted seventy-five men for his company by using DeWitt's Little Early Breeze, a famous little pill for constipation and all stomach and liver troubles. Charles G. Lennon.

THE protest of the bankers against the new taxes to be imposed upon their business by the proposed war revenue bill, seems to be general throughout the country. But there must be taxes to carry on the war, and surely the bankers, who are rich, should not be exempt from the payment of their share of those taxes. The present war profits

of man has been given the command of a battalion of troops in the U. S. army. Col. Baker of the 24th regiment of Virginia volunteers and several members of the House were at the War Department yesterday evening, trying to have Adjutant General Nalle of Virginia appointed brigadier general.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Captain General Blanco nominated the colonial cabinet yesterday evening, confirming the former officers.

The Treasury Department announces a number of promotions, among them the following Virginians: Miss Lucy Gary, \$660 to \$770; Mrs. L. W. Washington, \$660 to \$770.

In the House of Lords yesterday the Earl of Kimberley made an indirect attack upon the speech of Mr. Joseph Chamberlain with regard to a possible alliance of England with this country.

The name of Richard Harding Davis, which was sent to the Senate May 12 in the list of those nominated for captain and assistant adjutant general, was withdrawn yesterday by the President for the reason that Mr. Davis declined the appointment.

Secretary Alger yesterday evening received a telegram from General Wesley Merritt, saying: "I desire you to know that the interviews published in New York papers this morning are in every way incorrect and unauthorized. I intended to take no notice of them, but I understand the articles are taken seriously in Washington."

Governor Holcomb, of Nebraska, yesterday authorized William J. Bryan to organize the Third Regiment of Nebraska volunteers. The regiment will be made up of volunteers from all parts of the State. Mr. Bryan will be placed in command of the regiment and, as soon as organized, it will be tendered to the United States government. If no call is made it will become a part of the Nebraska Guard.

WAR NOTES.

Admiral Sampson's orders, like those given to Admiral Dewey before the battle of Manila, are to seek and destroy the Spanish fleet. He is under no restraint as to the method to be adopted in forcing a battle, though he has been advised by the strategists board at Washington as to his course.

A dispatch from Porto Rico, San Domingo, states that it is reported there that the Spanish fleet is at Porto Rico. The fleet is believed at St. Pierre, Martinique, to be heading for Cuba or Porto Rico. General Blanco is expected at Havana.

The army of invasion is likely to be started from Tampa in a few days under a convoy of ironclads to land in Cuba. Up to last night ninety-three thousand volunteers had been mustered in and many regiments are moving to the points of concentration. There are 12,000 men already at Chickamauga.

Information has reached the authorities at Washington that the battleship Pelayo and the armored cruiser Carlos V have sailed from Cadiz, not for the Philippines, but for the West Indies, where they are to reinforce Admiral Cervera's command.

Refugees from Havana say that the Cubans in Havana are joining the volunteers by hundreds.

It is semi-officially announced in Madrid that the new Spanish cabinet will probably include Senor Sagasta as premier, Lieutenant-General Correa as minister of war and Vice Admiral Butler as minister of marine.

VIRGINIA EPISCOPALIANS.

The one hundred and third annual council of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Virginia began its session in Christ Church, Winchester, this morning, Bishop F. M. Whittle presiding.

In the vestibule of that church there is a memorial tablet to the memory of Thomas, Lord Fairfax, who died in Winchester soon after the surrender of Cornwallis, and whose ashes repose beneath Christ Church.

The present diocese has about seventy-five clergy and an equal number of lay delegates.

Preliminary services were held last night and the sermon was preached by Rev. John J. Gravatt, of Richmond.

The Woman's Auxiliary and the Daughters of the King convened simultaneously with the council.

ALLEGED FRENCH PROPHECY.—The Paris Patrie continues its violent campaign against Americans. Every form of insult is used, and startling headlines lead its readers to believe that a sort of anarchy reigns in the United States.

The article, which is headed "Remember," tries to excite public opinion by declaring that in 1870 America congratulated Germany upon its victory over France as the triumph of civilization over barbarism.

The Figaro has a peculiar passage extracted from the Compté de Boust's book, entitled "The Last of the Napoleons," which appeared in 1870. After blaming Europe for remaining spectators of France's oppression in 1870, the Count says:

"Europe entire will suddenly see the American eagle, after having ravished the 'Queen of the Antilles' from Spain, begin to meddle with her affairs and weigh down with redoubtable heaviness the monarchical destinies of little old Europe."

This prophecy, written twenty-eight years ago, which seems so likely to be fulfilled, is attracting much attention.

GEN. LEE AND THE MASON.—A dispatch from Richmond says: It is understood from officials high in Masonic circles that there has been a plan on foot to make Gen. Fitzhugh Lee a member of the Grand Lodge without undergoing the usual preliminaries, but the general when approached in regard to the subject, said, while he appreciated the honor, he would prefer being initiated.

Grand Master Duke authorized one of the highest officers of the lodge to say to General Lee that he would make him a Mason "at sight," a prerogative which he has the right to exercise, but which has seldom been done. General Lee, after considering the matter, concluded that when he became a Mason, he would rather go through the usual formalities. The general, in his hearty, outspoken manner, said: "I appreciate the honor intended, but I do not think it would be treating the rest of the fraternity just right. I hope to be a Mason some day, but I wish to ride the 'billy goat' just like all the other Masons have done. If I should get in through the grand master's side door many of my Masonic friends might complain."

Foreign News.

BERLIN, May 18.—The Prussian Diet was closed to-day by Emperor William in person. His speech was wholly devoted to internal affairs.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

The Virginia police boat is strictly guarding the waters of this State below Crisfield against Maryland crabbers.

Mrs. Eliza Stewart was drowned while attempting to ford the Cowpasture river near Millboro' on Wednesday. A heavy rain and hail storm did considerable damage to the truck farms in the Norfolk region late Wednesday night.

Memorial Day was observed at Lynchburg yesterday afternoon. In the absence of the military companies the exercises were very quiet.

Among the graduates of the National College of Pharmacy in Washington last night, were E. R. Franklin, E. L. Mason and L. L. Tayloe, of Virginia.

The new church building of the Presbyterians in Charlottesville was dedicated Sunday. The sermon was preached by the Rev. W. W. Moore, of Union Theological Seminary.

The democratic committee of the sixth congressional district met in Lynchburg yesterday and decided to hold the congressional convention in Lynchburg on Tuesday, July 12. As yet no opposition to the present Representative, Major Peter J. Otey, has developed.

H. J. Wale, aged 82 years, died in Louisa county Monday. He had been actively connected with republican politics in Louisa ever since his removal there from Culpeper county, and twice represented that county in the Legislature, and was at one time sheriff of the county.

AT CAMP LEE.

A letter from Richmond says the soldier boys at Camp Lee have seemingly settled themselves down for a long stay there and are making themselves as comfortable as possible, and making the best of their home under the tents.

Most of the companies are now doing their own cooking and the grounds are dotted with little frame buildings, roughly put together, and which are used as kitchens. Those who before they joined the army had been wont to complain of home cooking now feel a pang of remorse as they struggle with the viands that come from the company kitchen. However, the boys who reside at the stove improve in their knowledge of the culinary art with each meal and will soon be able to turn out quite a tempting repast.

There are now twenty-six companies in camp. None arrived yesterday and none will arrive until Friday, in order to give the commissary time to make better arrangements for feeding the men.

None of the regiments in yet are in a condition to have battalion or regimental drills, but company drills and squad drills take place every morning and afternoon.

Captain Joseph E. Willard's new company from Fairfax county will be known as Company I, of the Third Regiment. It is likely that this company will be here by Sunday.

It is now definitely decided that the Second and Fourth are the regiments assigned to Tampa and the Third to Washington. It is said that the Washington regiment may go to the Philippines.

When Captain T. E. Grimsley, of Company H, Third Regiment, mustered in his company a day or two ago several men refused to volunteer. Captain Grimsley took their uniforms from them and drummed them out of camp.

The Richmond Dispatch says: The first regiment to be ordered away is the one that has full quota mustered in first. The Second and Third companies, while the Third lacks five, and the Fourth seven. If General Nalle adheres to his recent order that companies be mustered in according to the order of their arrival at camp, the Third will be the last to start.

It is positively known that General Fitzhugh Lee is to command a corps in the volunteer army of invasion, which is to follow close upon the heels of the regular army under General Shafter.

The corps under General Lee will be made up of troops on the ground when the expedition is ready to leave Tampa, so the Virginians are desirous of getting away as soon as possible in order to be under General Lee.

General Lee says when the troops will be ordered away, no man knows. But it would seem, in view of recent communications from the War Department to Governor Tyler, that it will not be many hours after the first Regiment is ready before marching orders will be issued.

General Lee does not think that the war will be of long duration, and he is strongly inclined to the belief that the army will have little or no fighting to do.

ENLISTMENT OF MINORS.—An important opinion was handed down in the United States Circuit Court of Appeals in Richmond yesterday bearing upon the legality of the enlistment of minors in the United States army.

The case was that of Simon Solomon, sheriff of Henrico county, against W. R. Davenport. The decision of Judge Hughes in the lower court was reversed and it is ordered that Davenport be returned to the custody of Sheriff Solomon. Davenport deserted the United States army about a year ago, when he was 20 years old, and through habeas corpus proceedings sought to escape trial by court-martial on the grounds that he was not of age when he enlisted and had joined the army without the consent of his parents. Judge Waddell, representing Davenport in the District Court, before Judge Hughes, succeeded in securing the release of his client, but the government appealed and won.

FROM THE PHILIPPINES.

The steamer Esmeralda, which has just arrived at Hong Kong from Manila and with four hundred refugees, chiefly Chinese, reports that the United States cruisers Concord and Boston are going to Iloilo, where they expect prompt capitulation, and to recapture the American ship Saranac with a cargo of coal. The blockade at Manila is extremely rigid, and several foreign ships have been refused admittance.

The rebels are useless as allies of Admiral Dewey. They are utterly disgusted, quite half of them being in favor of Spain. The Cavite arsenal was found empty. Colonel Miguel, of the artillery, committed suicide because he discovered that the ammunition was non-existent.

Captain General Augusti is trying to conciliate the rebels and has authorized the establishment of native councils. The Archbishop of Manila, in a pastoral issued on the 8th instant, said:

"Christians, defend your faith against here, who raise an insuperable barrier to mortal souls, enslave the people, abolish crosses from cemeteries, forbid pastors to perform baptism, matrimony or funeral rites, or to administer consolation or absolution."

Pending the arrival of troops from the United States the Americans defend hostilities as before.

The human machine starts but once and stops but once. You can keep it going long, but not regularly by using DeWitt's Little Early Breeze, the famous little pills for constipation and all stomach and liver troubles. Charles G. Lennon.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

The Troops in Richmond.

RICHMOND, Va., May 18.—Capt. Jos. E. Willard's company has been ordered to report here on Sunday morning. There is no prospect of the troops going away within the next ten days.

War Bulletins.

NEW YORK, May 18.—The Navy Department has purchased the large sailing tug J. C. Jones from the Merritt-Chapman and Wrecking Company and the tug has been sent to the navy yard at Norfolk, Va.

NEW YORK, May 19.—The Commercial Cable Company sent out the following notice to-day: "The United States authorities declare that all messages containing information of prospective naval movements and current military operations are inimical to the United States and are consequently forbidden. If any such matter is found it will be stricken out by the censor."

KRY WEST, Fla., May 18.—The Dauntless (dispatch boat) arrived here this morning and brought the detailed account of the bombardment of San Juan de Porto Rico by a fleet of the fleet under the command of Rear Admiral Sampson on May 12 last.

[An account of this bombardment has heretofore been published.]

Execution at Warrenton.

WARRENTON, Va., May 18.—To-day at 5:45 a. m. the sentence of death was carried out in the case of Jim Eskins, colored, for attempted criminal assault upon a white girl, aged 11 years, named Wagler.

The evidence in the case showed that some time during March Eskins, who was a tramp, went to the house of Wagler, the child's father, in this county. He was employed by Wagler as a farm hand, staying in the house, and on the morning of the 29th made the attempt. Eskins fled, but was overtaken at Elwood, Culpeper county, the same day and brought to Warrenton that evening. That night as a precaution Judge White sent Eskins to Alexandria for safe keeping. On the Friday following, April 1st, he was brought back to Warrenton. A jury was impaneled, counsel assigned to defend him, and in a crowded court room the trial was begun at 10:30 o'clock, lasting until 3:30 that afternoon. The jury, after being out one hour, returned a verdict of guilty, and the judge sentenced him to hang last Friday, but he was respited until to-day and sent to Alexandria to prevent lynching. He was brought back to this place yesterday afternoon.

The Control of the Philippines.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 18.—A dispatch from Victoria, B. C., says: J. Stuart Jones, the Manila sugar merchant prince, has arrived on the Empress of India en route to London. Jerome Jones, his travelling companion from Manila, says that business on the island must stand still until assurance is given that some strong foreign power will assume control of the destinies of the islands, the residents, if successful in throwing off the yoke of Spain, being too incompetent and unstable for effective self government. A strong party in Japan is said to be trying hard to force premier Ito into the affairs of the island, making community of interests and contiguity of territory an excuse for intervention. It is declared, however, that Ito declines to interfere and threatens to resign if pressed too far. Residents of Manila, who have arrived in Victoria declare that weeks before the declaration of war, the Philippine insurgents had assumed of American support, and immediately resumed hostilities with arms and ammunition directly obtained from Japan.

Mobilization of Troops.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., May 18.—Trains have followed each other in rapid succession to-day and this afternoon. There are about 15,000 volunteers now encamped in the park. A number of regiments not able to obtain transportation to the park on account of the great rush remained in the city over night. The various regiments which arrived before noon yesterday are comfortably settled in camp and are well provided for. Twenty cars of provisions were received to-day and now there is plenty to feed the army for some time. Uniforms, equipments and general supplies in immense amounts are en route. The work of organization continues rapidly.

NEW YORK, May 18.—It is the general opinion at Camp Townsend, Peekskill, that the camp will come to an end by Saturday night. The 8th and the 9th are the only regiments in camp. The latter will likely leave for Washington to-morrow night.

A Missionary Rescued.

LONDON, May 18.—Mail advices received here to-day from Freetown, the capital of the British colony of Sierra Leone, West Africa, give details of the rescue of Miss Muller, an American missionary, who was alone in the mission house, in the Sherbro district when it was invaded by natives in rebellion against the hut tax. Terrible experiences are recounted by the advices. For three days there was awful bloodshed throughout the town while natives were engaged in the work of massacre and destruction. A boat's crew from a British warship just reached the mission house in time to rescue Miss Muller. A number of the natives frightfully besmeared with blood of earlier victims had already surrounded the mission when the soldiers appeared on the scene.

Reserves for the Navy.

CLEVELAND, O., May 18.—The Ohio naval reserves desire to enlist as a body but the government will not accept them as such. Lieut. Hawley has been instructed to go to Chicago with his recruiting party to enlist the Illinois reserves. He expects to get a lot of men for the navy from the Chicago reserves.

NEW YORK, May 18.—The naval reserves who have passed the examinations for individual enlistment into the United States navy from Ohio, Illinois and Michigan will arrive in this city either Friday or Saturday. They will be immediately put to work on naval practices and tactics until wanted for the auxiliary cruisers.

A Cashier Indicted.

PHILADELPHIA, May 18.—The grand jury in the United States District Court has found true bill of indictment against Wm. Steele, the former cashier of the Chestnut Street National bank, covering 122 counts. The defendant is charged with aiding and abetting William M. Singler in misapplying funds of the bank and making false reports to the controller of the currency.

E. S. Parker, Sharon, Wis., writes: "I have tried DeWitt's Little Early Breeze for constipation and it always stops in two minutes. I consider DeWitt's Little Early Breeze the greatest little cure on the market." Charles G. Lennon.

The Alabama Launched.

PHILADELPHIA, May 18.—The battleship Alabama was successfully launched at Cramp's shipyard at 12:50 to-day. The daughter of Senator Morgan, the senior Senator from Alabama, broke a bottle of wine at the christening. A large party of Washingtonians, including many department people and the Alabama delegation, attended.

The Alabama is the first to be launched of the three new battleships of her type, the other two being the Illinois and Wisconsin. She presents marked divergencies of design from the first three, the Oregon, Indiana and Massachusetts. The differences involve both the arrangement of the battery and the disposition of the armor, as well as a considerable increase in size and displacement. The main battery of the Alabama will consist of four 13-inch guns in turrets and fourteen 6-inch rapid-firing guns. The secondary battery consists of seventeen 6-pounder rapid fire guns, six one-pounder rapid fire guns and four galleys. The general dimensions of the Alabama are as follows: Length over all 374 feet; breadth 72 feet, draught 23 feet 6 inches; displacement 11,320 tons. The guaranteed speed is to be 16 knots and the estimated horsepower 10,000.

Mr. Gladstone Dying.

HAWAIIAN, May 18.—During the crisis, at four o'clock this morning, Mr. Gladstone's breathing was 36 to the minute and the members of his family were summoned. The Rev. Stephen Gladstone read prayers and hymns, including Mr. Gladstone's favorite, "Rock of Ages." When this was concluded Mr. Gladstone was heard to murmur "Our Father." Mrs. Gladstone remained throughout the night at the bedside of her dying husband. She could not be induced to leave him even to take refreshments.

A bulletin issued at 5:30 o'clock this afternoon said that Mr. Gladstone's strength was gradually failing, but that possibly he would yet linger for hours.

The Methodists.

BALTIMORE, May 18.—The General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South this morning took up the election of the minor officers and on the first ballot chose Dr. Hosa to succeed himself as editor of the Daily Advocate, the official organ of the church, published in Nashville, Tenn. It then took two ballots in an effort to elect a secretary to the board of church extension, but had reached no conclusion when today's session adjourned. The new bishops will be ordained to-morrow afternoon.

Royal Arcanum.

CLEVELAND, May 18.—The annual convention of the Supreme Council of the Royal Arcanum began here to-day, and will probably continue for ten days or longer, as a large amount of business of vital importance to the order is to be taken up. A new plan of providing the means for paying insurance and the modifying of the present assessment scheme will be presented to the convention. Upon this question there will be much discussion, the delegates being divided on the subject. The convention is held behind closed doors.

Off to Manila.

VALLEJO, Cal., May 18.—The cruiser Charleston got under way for Manila shortly after ten o'clock this morning. On the vessel are a number of newspaper correspondents.

The Charleston was heavily loaded with ammunition for her own guns in addition to a large supply of powder and projectiles for Admiral Dewey's fleet. No troops were carried on the Charleston. The cruiser was heavily loaded with coal but will not have much left when she reaches Manila.

Favor an Alliance.

SHANGHAI, May 18.—The newspapers here and public opinion in general strongly favor an Anglo-American alliance as proposed in the speech which Mr. Chamberlain, Secretary of State for the Colonies, recently made at Birmingham, England.

Removed Engagement.

LONDON, May 18.—According to a dispatch from Havana published here to-day there has been an engagement off the port of Caibarien, province of Santa Clara, and it is alleged, an American landing party has been repulsed.

The Spanish Squadron.

PORT AU PRINCE, Hayti, May 18.—Nothing is known here of the report from Porto Plata, San Domingo, to the effect that the "panih" Cape Verde squadron, commanded by Admiral Cervera, has arrived at Porto Rico. The latest news which reached Porto Rico concerning the Spanish warship simply confirmed the report that they left Cienfuegos, West Indies, on Sunday afternoon last, for an unknown destination, after having taken on board coal and provisions.

Tornado.

KINGMAN, Kan., May 18.—A destructive tornado swept over the western part of this county last night about 6 o'clock. The town of Cunningham was almost swept off the earth. There are only five houses left standing. People saw the cloud about twenty minutes before it struck the town and rushed to the cellars. Nobody was seriously injured. A good deal of stock was killed. The storm was preceded by terrible rain and hail.

Japanese Warships for Manila.

VANCOUVER, B. C., May 18.—On the 4th of May, says the press of the steamer Empress of Japan, from Yokohama, "I learned from an officer of a Spanish warship, simply confirmed the report that they left Cienfuegos, West Indies, on Sunday afternoon last, for an unknown destination, after having taken on board coal and provisions."

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of Alexandria, Virginia, that the Committee on Streets is hereby directed to consider the advisability of grading and paving King street, from the west crossing of Fairfax street to the east crossing of Royal street, with vitrified brick on a six inch concrete base, and curbing the same with a six inch granite curb on a six inch concrete base, not exceeding the width of the cost thereof to be paid by the owners of the real estate fronting on said street as above described and the balance to be paid by the Washington, Alexandria and Mount Vernon Railway Company and the treasury of the City of Alexandria.

Section 2. Be it further ordained, That all the owners of real estate fronting on said streets as above described shall be summoned by at least ten days notice to appear before such committee, at such date or dates as may be fixed by said committee, to be heard for and against such improvements.

Section 3. This ordinance shall be in full force from its passage.

The following presented by Mr. Greene was unanimously adopted:

Be it ordained, That the clerk of this Board be authorized and directed to have printed and bound in a convenient form 250 copies of the City Charter of Alexandria, and all the amendments to said charter, and for this purpose the sum of \$50, or as much thereof as may be necessary be appropriated.

The board then adjourned.

HUBERT SNOWDEN, President.
Teste: D. R. STANSBURY, Clerk.

How to Look Good.
Good looks are really more than skin deep depending entirely on a healthy condition of all the vital organs. If the liver is inactive, you have a bilious look; if your stomach is disordered, you have a dyspeptic look; if your kidneys are affected, you have a pined look. Secure good health, and you will surely have good looks. "Electric Bitters" is a good Alternative and Tonic. Acts directly on the stomach, liver and kidneys, purifies the blood, cures pimples, blotches and boils, and gives a good complexion. Every bottle guaranteed. Sold at E. L. Allen's Drug Store, 50 cents per bottle.

The Cuban question and political sink into insignificance with the man who suffers from piles. What he most desires is relief. DeWitt's Little Early Breeze cures piles. Charles G. Lennon.

BEAUTIFUL LINE OF CALICOES in light and dark colors, best makes, at 5c each. A. C. SLAYMAKER, 101 N. Washington St.

UNITED STATES AND CUBAN FLAGS from 5c to \$5. Sewing Machines, U. S. Banners, (silk) 5c. American Flags, 10c. War maps, World, Cuba and Philippine, 15c. E. E. KNIGHT'S, 621 KING ST.